

IN THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Fig. 1. This sheet, which includes Fig. 1, replaces the original sheet including Fig. 1.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-5 are pending, with Claims 6-9 and 12-13 canceled by the present amendment.

In the Official Action, the drawings were objected to; Claims 6-9 and 12-13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rusch (U.S. Patent No. 6,801,777) in view of Nakagoshi et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,379,451, hereinafter Nakagoshi); and Claims 1-5 were allowed.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter.

Figure 1 is amended to include the label "Prior Art". Claims 6-9 and 12-13 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more continuation applications directed to the subject matter of Claims 6-9 and 12-13.

Accordingly, in view of the present amendment and in light of the previous discussion, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance and respectfully request an early and favorable action to that effect.

Respectfully submitted,

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